

and approved or modified the proposed replies to other letters. The almoner came in and reported on the poor relieved and received new instructions. He then

**FROM VERA CRUZ.**  
[Correspondence of the Ohio Statesman.]  
VERA CRUZ, Dec. 17, 1868.  
The news from this city does not  
ten present topics of great interest to  
reader abroad, and the present per  
forms excites the public.

...ins no to the people of the Congress  
...and pretty active in  
...and a predatory nature in  
...ferring to local untaries; the construction  
...of railroads absorbs a large proportion  
...public attention, and I will, in this  
...re, quote two bills which the Executive  
...and Congress are generally anxious to  
...convert into a law: The building of  
...railroad from Tehuantepec and another  
...from Presidente del Norte to Guaymas  
...The concession for both roads has  
...already been given to a company of foreign  
...capitalists, but the enterprise failed  
...account of the parties to whom the con  
...cession had been made having failed  
...comply with their engagements. It can  
...not be denied that from Presidente del  
...Norte to Guaymas no road could, until  
...very recently, be built, on account  
...of the opposition which has been  
...to that description a matter of a whole

impossibility. But so much plain people and the public of a fair vote should be renewed by Congress to be given to other parties some of the reliable in the leading capitalist movements. New York City Mayor, Mr. Marshall O. Roberts, has not found it to their pecuniary advantage to be made to them, where it is not the reason why the privilege should be renewed now, that the price would render the entrance a more profitable one. National Association of Manufacturers and the American public, as a result of the public, as an additional reason for the withdrawal by Congress of the abrogation of the concession to the American companies.

that one of the paragraphs provided for the admission of foreign troops on Mexican territory under the pretext of serving as protection of the property of the company. Mexicans are exceedingly afraid of such a "protection" by the United States authorities, and it is believed that Congress will pass no law or make any concession during its present session, which has the least tendency towards encouraging or facilitating any plans of aggrandizement of territory, which may spring up at some future date on the part of our Northern neighbors.

A bill has lately been presented to Congress granting amnesty to criminals extended to all political convicts of late war, and has met with a favorable reception on the part of the committee entrusted with the investigation of the matters. The general impression is that

no obstacle will present itself to the plan because a reality, and now that peace has been restored, no danger need be apprehended on the part of those who have been conspiring against the Republic. The sympathy of the United States is equivalent among us for our neighbors on the island of Cuba, who are struggling for their political independence. Several mass meetings have been held and resolutions formed which are intended to assure the Cubans of the moral support extended to them on the part of the Mexican people. This sympathy will not, of course, hinder the Government from taking any action which direction the kind and what attitude this republic would be likely to adopt should the insurgents in Cuba any time meet with decisive success in their present conflict against the regular Spanish troops and the representatives of the Provisional Government.

**Suicide in Italy.**  
[Florence correspondence New York Times.]  
Suicide is much more common here than might be expected, among so careless a people. I do not know the percentage for all Italy, but it must be greater than with us. The pistol and the revolver are commonly resorted to for the most trivial reasons, and the fumes of charcoal, loss of property and domestic felicity are the common causes; but I am taken for the most trivial reason and by very young persons. Here in Florence, we have just had three cases in a single day. A girl of seventeen throws herself from the Ponte Vecchio because she is discharged from domestic service, for some petty reason. The other two are of a more remarkable one, at least a thousand persons, mostly married the anax and bridges, and w

human creature struggling in the water and not a hand or foot was moved to save.

A bark, bearing a policeman, arrived very leisurely, and fished the body from the bottom, and then an unofficial physician pronounced life extinct, and a schoolmaster, in due course, rendered the verdict.

Another case was that of a young man, employed in the Government service, who blew out his brains in the Gasoline, lately become rather a favorite place for suicides. He had written dozens letters, eaten a meal at a trattoria near by, taken off a part of his clothes and folded them in newspapers, so they might not be soiled with his blood, and then wrote a note requesting that the papers and the pistol might be given to the woman with whom he had been lodged.

The reason given for his self-killing was that he had not been sufficiently affectionate and grateful to his parents. Thus one sees what are some of the motives for Italian suicide.

**How the Richest Man in the World Lived.**

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ward, with whom he examined the quotations from the great exchanges of Europe, and decided upon and gave orders for the transactions of the day. He not only received the correspondence clerks, but from them the most important letters, which required a reply from the Bank.

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